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INFO OCT-01 NEA-10 ISO-00 EB-08 H-01 AID-05 TRSE-00  
OMB-01 IGA-02 SS-15 SP-02 INR-10 ACDA-12 MCE-00  
PA-01 NSC-05 COME-00 L-03 /081 R

DRAFTED BY PM/SAS:COCECIL:RF  
APPROVED BY PM/SAS - HMCELROY  
NEA/ARN - JBISHOP  
DOD/DSAA - HFISH  
DOD/ISA - LHILLEBRANDT  
-----026992 160531Z /23

R 151756Z FEB 78  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY TUNIS  
INFO SECDEF  
USCINCEUR  
HQ USAF  
DPT FOR INTL LOG HQ AFALD WPAFB OH/MIN  
DA WASHDC/DALO/ILM

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, TS

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE F-5 PURCHASE BY GOT  
REF: CHUSLOT 061430Z FEB 78

1. DEPARTMENT FORESEES NO POSSIBILITY AT PRESENT TIME OF ANY AUGMENTATION IN FY 1978 FMS FINANCING FOR GOT.
  2. REQUEST FOR FY 1979 FMS FINANCING WHICH WILL BE PRESENTED TO CONGRESS SHORTLY INCLUDES \$25 MILLION FOR TUNISIA. UNTIL CONGRESS ACTS ON WORLDWIDE FMS FINANCING REQUEST IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO SPECULATE ON ANY POSSIBILITY OF INCREASE IN
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FY 1979 REQUESTED LEVEL. YOU SHOULD SAY NOTHING WHICH WOULD ENCOURAGE GOT TO THINK INCREASED FMS FINANCING LEVELS MIGHT BE FORTHCOMING IN EITHER FY 1978 OR FY 1979. ZERO-BASED BUDGETING EXERCISE FOR FY 1980 PROGRAM LEVELS WILL COMMENCE IN SUMMER, AT WHICH TIME REQUEST FOR TUNISIA WILL BE CONSIDERED ON ITS MERITS.

3. FYI, \$80 MILLION FOR 12 F-5 AIRCRAFT MAY BE LOW. WHILE  
1976 KENYA PACKAGE FOR 12 AIRCRAFT RUNS \$68 MILLION, RECENT  
ESTIMATE FOR POTENTIAL SALE OF 12 AIRCRAFT TO SUDAN RUNS  
\$118 MILLION. WHILE THIS MAY BE HIGHER THAN A SALE TO GOT  
DUE TO SUDANESE SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS, OUR READING IS THAT  
FINAL FIGURE WOULD BE CLOSER TO SUDANESE THAN TO KENYAN  
TOTAL. END FYI. VANCE

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## Message Attributes

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